# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# TEXTILES
# LOK SABHA

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SAFEGUARDING WEAVERS INTERESTS
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**Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:**

(a) Whether the Government has taken any specific steps to safeguard the interests of weavers in the country particularly in Chhattisgarh State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA)

(a) & (b) In general, the Government of India has been implementing the following schemes for the development and welfare of handloom weavers throughout the country including the weavers of Chhattisgarh State:

(1) Deen Dayal Hathkargha Protsahan Yojana.

(2) Marketing Promotion Programme

(3) Handloom Export Scheme

(4) Mill Gate Price Scheme

(5) Scheme for reimbursement of one time rebate @ 10% given by the handloom agencies on the sale of handloom cloth.

(6) Scheme for Reimbursement of CENVAT on Hank Yarn.

(7) Workshed-cum- Housing Scheme

(8) Weavers Welfare Scheme comprising:-

- Thrift Fund Scheme
- New Insurance Scheme
- Health Package Scheme

9) Bunkar Bima Yojana.
10) Integrated Handloom Training Project.
11) Design Development & Training Programme.
12) Implementation of Handlooms (Reservation of Articles for Production) Act,1985.

Financial assistance provided under the above schemes to various States including Chhattisgarh during the years 2003-04 and

current year (upto 05/07/2004) is annexed. The Government of India has also set up a Weavers` Service Centre in Raigarh in the Chhattisgarh State for providing technical assistance and training to handloom weavers in designing, weaving, dyeing, printing etc.

(c)Does not arise.